



MEDIA ADVISORY

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Caltrans District 8 Honors Fallen Employees District Unveils New Monument

WHO: Caltrans Director Will Kempton will preside at a ceremony to dedicate a monument to honor eleven District 8 employees. These employees lost their lives while serving the people of California. The families of workers who were killed in the line of duty, the California Highway Patrol Honor Guard, elected officials and representatives from the Office of Traffic Safety, RCTC and SANBAG will join Director Kempton and Caltrans employees to pay tribute.

WHAT: A ceremony will honor District 8 employees who lost their lives while serving the people of California. A \$22,000 4-foot monument will be unveiled. California Honor Guard will perform a ceremony around the monument.

WHERE: District 8 Headquarters, San Bernardino Government Center, 464 W. 4th Street San Bernardino, North Courtyard

WHEN: Friday, April 21, 2 p.m.

WHY: Eleven District 8 employees lost their lives in the "Cone Zone." This ceremony pays tribute to their lives and contributions and is to remind motorists of the importance of driving with extra caution when passing through highway work zones.

PHOTO OPS: Photo ops will include Caltrans directors unveiling the monument; the CHP Honor Guard formation; and a procession of family members and Caltrans employees placing a rose on the monument for each fallen worker. Former District 8 directors will also be present at this important event. The black granite monument displays an orange granite cone lying on its side to symbolize a fallen worker.

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